

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending in this application. Applicants have not amended any of the claims, but have responded to the obvious-type double patenting rejections. The Applicants have also amended the specification in order to place the present patent application in condition for allowance. Applicants believe that no new matter has been added by this response.

Objection to the Specification

The Examiner objected to informalities in the specification. Applicants have amended the specification to address the cited informalities. Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in condition for allowance.

Response to Double Patenting Rejection

The Examiner rejected claims 1-20 under the judicially created doctrine of obvious-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-20 of U.S. Patent No. 6,680,695.

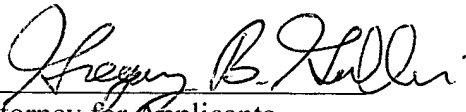
Applicants are filing a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) to overcome the nonstatutory double patenting grounds for rejection.

Applicants now submit that claims 1-20 are in condition for allowance.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing discussion and the terminal disclaimer, Applicants respectfully submit that the amended specification and claims 1-20 as presented are in a condition for allowance, for which action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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